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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of claims:

Claim 1 (cancelled).

Claim 2 (currently amended): The integrated circuit according to claim [[1]] 23, including circuit elements, said setting memory activating said circuit elements.

Claim 3 (original): The integrated circuit according to claim 2, including a memory having memory areas, said circuit elements being memory elements used to replace at least one of said memory areas.

Claim 4 (currently amended): The integrated circuit according to claim [[1]] 23, wherein said data processing unit has an arithmetic logic unit.

Claim 5 (original): The integrated circuit according to claim 4, wherein

a register of said registers processes data; and

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another register of said registers processes coded
instructions for said arithmetic logic unit.

Claim 6 (original): The integrated circuit according to claim
5, wherein said buffer memory is two buffer memories each
containing data to be processed.

Claim 7 (currently amended): The integrated circuit according
to claim [[1]] 23, wherein said buffer memory is a latch.

Claims 8-9 (cancelled).

Claim 10 (currently amended): The integrated circuit
according to claim [[1]] 23, wherein said data processing unit
serially writes to and reads from each of said registers.

Claim 11 (canceled).

Claim 12 (currently amended): A method for determining
setting data for a setting memory from address data, stored in
a register, of memory areas of a memory that have been
identified as defective depending on instruction data stored
in a register, which comprises:

providing an integrated circuit having:

a data processing unit;

a buffer memory having registers, the buffer memory having a shift register, the shift register having at least one switch subdividing the shift register into the registers; and

a setting memory having electrical fuses;

storing data for the data processing unit in the registers of the buffer memory;

connecting the buffer memory to the data processing unit;

connecting the setting memory to the buffer memory, the setting memory being only accessible via the registers of the buffer memory, the buffer memory being used as latches for reading out and writing into the setting memory; and

at least one of writing to and reading from the setting memory through the buffer memory.

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Claim 13 (original): The method according to claim 12, which further comprises activating circuit elements with the setting memory.

Claim 14 (original): The method according to claim 13, wherein the circuit elements are memory elements of a memory and which further comprises replacing at least one of the memory areas with the memory elements.

Claim 15 (previously presented): The method according to claim 12, wherein the data processing unit has an arithmetic logic unit.

Claim 16 (original): The method according to claim 15, which further comprises:

processing data with a register; and

processing coded instructions for the arithmetic logic unit with another register.

Claim 17 (original): The method according to claim 16, wherein the buffer memory is two buffer memories each containing data to be processed.

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Claim 18 (original): The method according to claim 12,
wherein the buffer memory is a latch.

Claims 19-20 (cancelled).

Claim 21 (original): The method according to claim 12, which
further comprises serially writing to and reading from each of
the registers with the processing unit.

Claim 22 (canceled).

Claim 23 (previously presented). An integrated circuit,
comprising:

a data processing unit;

a buffer memory having registers for storing data for said
data processing unit, said buffer memory connected to said
data processing unit; and

a setting memory connected to said buffer memory, said setting
memory having at least one electrical fuse being at least one
of written to and read from through said buffer memory;

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said buffer memory having a shift register, said shift
register having at least one switch subdividing said shift
register into said registers for said data processing unit.